

MINUTES OF MEETING OF THE BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS, JULY 10, 1945

The Board of Public Works met on July 10th, 1945, in the office of the Governor, State House, Annapolis, Maryland.

There were present:

Herbert R. O'Connor, Governor  
J. Millard Tawes, Comptroller  
Hooper S. Miles, Treasurer.

Mr. Walter N. Kirkman, Director, Department of Budget and Procurement, also attended the meeting.

The Minutes of the meeting of June 1, 1945, copy of which was sent to each member of the Board, were approved.

BOARD OF NATURAL RESOURCES:

Dr. Joseph T. Singewald, Director, Department of Geology, Mines & Water Resources, of the Board of Natural Resources, attended the meeting of the Board and discussed with the Board the letters received from the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company, Inc. questioning the action of the Board of Public Works in accepting the proposal of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey for the leasing of State lands in connection with the operations being conducted in the State of Maryland looking toward the locating of oil in our State. In its letter to the Board dated May 25, 1945, the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company protested the acceptance by the State of the proposal of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey on the grounds that while the proposal of the proposal of the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company did not contain an offer to drill a well, like the proposal of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey, the company had assured Dr. Singewald that if the drilling of a well was to be of prime consideration to the State in its consideration of offers received from the several companies, the Socony-Vacuum Oil Company desired to submit a further proposal which would include the provision for the drilling of a well. It was on the basis of the Standard Oil Co. of New Jersey offering in its proposal to drill a well that the State decided to accept the proposal of that company.

Dr. Singewald insisted that there was no understanding between him and the Socony-Vacuum Oil Co. that the company would be permitted to submit a further proposal for the drilling of a well and, further, that the company failed to attach any importance to the drilling of a well in any discussions which were had between representatives of the company and himself.

After due consideration the Board affirmed its former action in accepting the proposal of the Standard Oil Company of New Jersey.

Dr. Singewald also discussed with the Board his letter of July 6th relative to entering into a cooperative agreement with the United States Geological Survey covering an investigation of the fire clays of Garrett County. Dr. Singewald advised that the cost of this survey would be \$12,000, of which the State would be expected to pay one-half and strongly urged the acceptance of the offer of the U. S. Geological Survey because of the need for such an investigation at this time since the fire clay supply of Allegany County will soon become exhausted and it will be necessary to look to Garrett County for a continuance of the production of fire clay in our State. Dr. Singewald advised that these clays now have great potential value also as raw materials for the production of metallic aluminum. Dr. Singewald also called attention to the fact that the General Assembly at the 1945 Session recommended that the State avail itself of such an opportunity and that the Board of Public Works match federal funds in such investigations.

After due consideration Dr. Singewald's request that \$6,000 of State funds be made available for the investigation and that this amount be allocated to his department from the General Emergency Fund of 1946 was approved.

UNIVERSITY OF MARYLAND:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board copy of letter written to Mr. W. D. Owens, State Employment Commissioner, dated July 3, 1945, by Dr. H. C. Byrd, President, University of Maryland, calling attention to the fact that under the plan previously adopted by the Board of Regents of the University of Maryland, that at a meeting of the Budget Committee of the Board on June 15th it was decided to recommend to the Board of Regents that one month's salary, additional, be paid to those members of the faculty who actually remained at the University and taught during the summer of 1944, which recommendation was approved at a meeting of the Board of Regents on June 29, 1945. The amount of the payroll covering this additional compensation is \$22,667.92.

The Board of Public Works approved Dr. Byrd's request that payment of this additional compensation be approved and charged to the 1945 budget of the University of Maryland.

The Board gave formal approval to the awarding of contracts by the University of Maryland in connection with the construction of cottages authorized, as follows:

Tile	Standard Art, Marble & Tile Co.	\$ 960.00
Storm Gutters	Irvin Prickett	350.00
Electrical work	F. S. Bowen Electrical Co.	1,120.00
Lathing & Plastering	A. W. Lee, Inc.	2,200.00,

it being understood that these contractors were the low bidders in each case.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Dr. Byrd dated May 2, 1945, requesting authority to purchase certain lands and properties for the University of Maryland.

After due consideration, it was decided to approve the following items for purchase for the University:

- 1- Baltimore, All property not now owned by the State in the block bordered by Redwood, Greene, Lombard and Penn Streets at a cost of \$115,000.
- 2- College Park, The Engle farm, 33 acres, more or less, at a cost of \$70,000.
- 3- College Park, Part of the Newman estate, 20 acres, more or less, at a cost of \$10,000.
- 4- College Park, the Gilbert home place at a cost of \$10,000.

As to the other properties listed in Dr. Byrd's letter of May 2, 1945, it was felt that authority could not be given at this time for the purchase of these properties but that it will be in order for the University to proceed to rent these properties at a price which would entitle the State to an option to purchase them at a time subsequent to action being taken at the next session of the General Assembly to provide the necessary funds for the purchase price.

The cost of the properties authorized to be purchased is to be made available from the Post War Construction Fund.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Dr. Byrd dated May 2, 1945, calling attention to the fact that <sup>Senate</sup> a Resolution was passed by the Legislature at the 1945 session requesting and authorizing the Governor and the Board of Public Works to make available for work in marketing any funds which in the judgment of the Board might be available and not otherwise allocated.

After due consideration, the Board approved the allocation of \$5,000 for this work from the General Emergency Fund of 1946.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Dr. Byrd dated July 9, 1945, relative to the housing of bulls in connection with the additional item in the supplementary budget of \$10,000 for artificial insemination. Dr. Byrd, in his letter, stated that because of economies effected in the operation of the University of Maryland in the fiscal year 1945 he was able to effect savings totaling \$18,582.96. The cost of the building is estimated at \$23,070.00. There would be a deficit of \$4,487.04.

The Board approved request of Dr. Byrd that the savings amounting to \$18,582.96 be transferred to the Building Fund for the purpose mentioned. Dr. Byrd stated that he felt sure he would be able to take care of the deficit of \$4,487.04 out of funds available to the University in the new fiscal year.

#### BUDGET:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board two appropriations in Miscellaneous Appropriation #2, of the Budget for the fiscal year 1946:-

- 1- \$2,000.00 for 1st Lt. Guy McKee, in accordance with House Resolution recommending same, for injuries sustained while on duty with the National Guard, to be spent under the direction of the Board of Public Works; and
- 2- \$10,000.00 for the settlement of claims of Novella E. Wharton, Harry T. Ambrose, Oliver P. Gibson, Walter L. Gibson and Benjamin F. Gibson, for damage to oyster beds, settlement to be affected on terms approved by the Board of Public Works.

The Secretary was instructed to bring to the attention of the Military Department the appropriation in the case of Lt. McKee so that whatever action was necessary on the part of the Military Department might be given attention.

As to the appropriation of \$10,000 for the settlement of claims for damages to oyster beds, it was felt that there was no need for any action to be taken by the Board until such time as someone interested in the claims would apply to the Board for payment of the appropriation.

#### CALVERT COUNTY HOSPITAL:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Mr. Maurice T. Lusby, Jr., member of the House of Delegates from Calvert County, calling attention to the Resolution passed at the 1945 Session of the General Assembly authorizing the Board of Public Works to grant to the Calvert County Hospital \$10,000 for necessary repairs and additions to comply with the regulations of the Health Department.

As this is a matter provided for in the State's Post War Construction Program, it was felt there was no need for any action to be taken upon the matter at this time.

#### CHEL TENHAM SCHOOL FOR BOYS:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication received from Mr. F. Reid Isaac, President, Cheltenham School for Boys, calling attention to the inadequacy of housing facilities for the boys of the school and requesting that the sum of \$37,000 be made available for the repair of six cottages and the administration building so that the buildings could be improved in a way that would make them satisfactory.

After due consideration the request was approved with authority to proceed with the work as promptly as possible, and the firm of Ross & Walton was authorized to prepare plans and specifications. The cost of this work is to be made available from the Post War Construction Fund.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication from Dr. George H. Preston, Commissioner, Board of Mental Hygiene, advising that a study should be made concerning the desirability of the present site of Cheltenham School for Boys when it becomes an institution for mental hygiene, exclusively.

The Board felt that the institution would have to be continued at its present

location, especially in view of the fact that it was agreed some months ago that the institution would be useable for the type of boys to be maintained there after the construction of the new institution contemplated by the General Assembly at the 1943 session, and particularly since so much has been invested in improvements at the old institution up to this time.

COMPTROLLER OF THE TREASURY:

Upon recommendation of the Comptroller the Board authorized the payment of the following refunds for taxes paid in error to the State, from Miscellaneous Appropriation #2, Item 18.

Title Tax:	Herbert Kernan, Cashier,		
	Department Motor Vehicles	\$14.30 ~	
	James Lane	13.03 ~	
	Board of Education of Prince		
	George's County	75.08 ~	
	Raymond Lee Parker	17.46 ~	
	Department of Motor Vehicles	.50 ~	
	Govans Motor Co.	14.12 ~	\$134.49
Personal Property Tax:			
	Western Union Telegraph Co.	\$540.67 ~	
	Slesingers, Inc.	34.45 ~	575.12
Real Estate License:			
	John C. Snider	\$ 5.04 ~	5.04
Recordation Tax:			
	Joseph L. Leitzer	\$11.00 ~	11.00

And, the payment of \$105.96 covering refund of Franchise Taxes as follows, was approved, from the budget of the State Tax Commission.

Franchise Tax:			
	Patapsco Park Real Estate Co., Inc.	\$10.08	
	John M. McCool Co., Inc.	5.06	
	Carlisle Realty Co., Inc.	10.04	
	L. H. Wiebel, Inc.	70.70	
	Federation of Republican Women		
	of Baltimore City, Inc.	10.08	105.96
			\$831.61.

The Board refused to approve the application of K. N. Rudisill (Rudisill's Quality Shop), Hagerstown, Maryland, for a refund of Trader's License because of the fact that the license had been used for a part of the year and there is no authority in law for a refund of any part of the license fee in the event the license is unused for the full license year.

The Board refused to approve the application of Mr. Paul C. Wolman, Administrator of the Estate of Peter Jubo, who died May 7, 1945, for a refund of Trader's License because of the fact that the license had been used for a part of the year and there is no authority in law for a refund of any part of the license fee in the event the license is unused for the full license year.

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The Comptroller brought to the attention of the Board the State's account against Marvin B. Gordy, former Sheriff of Wicomico County, as covered by an audit made by the State Auditor of the accounts and records of the office of Sheriff of Wicomico County for the term of four years of Mr. Gordy, from 1938 to 1942. While the audit showed approximately \$3,000.00 to be due the State as excess fees, it was contended by Mr. Gordy and Mr. F. W. C. Webb, his attorney, that Mr. Gordy had not been given credit for various expenditures because of his inability to furnish receipts for purchases made by him for cash.

The matter had been discussed by the Comptroller, the State Auditor, and Mr. Webb, and it was felt that if Mr. Gordy were willing to pay the State \$1,000.00 in compromise of the State's Claim, this would provide a fair and reasonable compromise in view of the difficulty which would very likely be encountered in any effort to effect collection of the full amount shown by the State Auditor's report.

The Comptroller's recommendation that he be authorized to effect a settlement by the acceptance of \$1,000.00 in payment thereof was approved.

The Comptroller brought to the attention of the Board a compromise settlement arranged through the State Law Department with the various personal sureties on the bond of Hervey W. Shuck, deceased, former Register of Wills for Allegany County, covering shortages in the accounts of the office during the period he was Register of Wills for Allegany County, namely 1919 to 1937.

The Attorney General, after negotiations extending over a period of time, with the representatives of the sureties, several of the sureties being deceased, agreed to recommend to the Board of Public Works a compromise settlement in the amount of \$10,000.00. The members of the Board had previously, through personal contacts by the Secretary, approved the proposed settlement and at this meeting the Attorney General had submitted checks totaling \$10,000.00, with releases to be executed by the members of the Board of Public Works, releasing the sureties.

The verbal approval previously given by the individual members of the Board in this case was duly confirmed at this meeting, and the releases executed.

#### COURT COSTS:

Upon recommendation of the State Law Department, the Board approved payment from its budget, Item #207, two bills of Lafayette P. Temple, Inc. for Court Stenographer in the case of U.S.A. ex rel. Frank Campbell vs. Patrick J. Brady, totaling \$31.20.

#### DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication from the Department of Correction requesting authority to transfer the sum of \$2,500 from the Maryland Penitentiary-State Use Industries Account and \$2,500 from the Maryland State Penal Farm-State Use Industries Account to the Board of Correction-State Use Industries Account covering the salaries and expenses of the Sales Promotion Manager and the Assistant Sales Promotion Manager of the State Use Industries. The Board approved the request for this transfer.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication from the Director of the Department of Correction calling attention to a leaking condition of the walls of the institutional buildings of the Maryland State Reformatory for Women and requesting that he be authorized to obtain the services of an architect for the purpose of ascertaining what can be done to correct the leaking condition of the walls. In his letter to the Board, Mr. Rogan, the Director, stated that he received a proposal submitted by the Frantz Construction Co. in the amount of \$6,570.00 for doing the necessary work to correct the leaking condition, but that the company did not give any assurance that the work would correct the leaking condition.

The Board approved the request of Mr. Rogan that he obtain the advice of an architect as to what might be done to correct the condition and that he proceed with the work, the cost of which will have/be paid out of funds available to the institution in its budget through the Department of Correction.

DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter from Mr. W. Lee Elgin, Commissioner, Department of Motor Vehicles, requesting two additional Junior Clerks in order that the addressograph plates at that department might be pulled daily to prevent accumulation in their files.

In view of the amendments to the Motor Vehicles Law during the past few years, necessitating additional work in the office of the Department of Motor Vehicles, the Board approved the employment of two additional Junior Clerks, with funds for their salaries to be made available out of the budget of the Department through budget amendment.

DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC BUILDINGS AND GROUNDS:

The Board formally approved bill of Brashears Bros. in the amount of \$3,378.70 covering the painting of Committee rooms in the State House, the trellis in the Executive Mansion yard, the front and rear entrances of the State Office Building, and repairing the ceiling in the old Chamber in the State House. Payment of this expenditure is to be made from the General Bond Issue of 1941, Improvements to Public Buildings in Annapolis.

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The Board approved and accepted the bids of Brashears Bros, in the amounts of \$415.00 and \$1,475.00, covering painting of the iron fence around the Executive Mansion and painting the exterior of the Mansion, respectively.

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The Board approved request renewed by Judge Melvin for the installation of a wash basin in his office in the Court of Appeals Building, by Cantler & Hopkins at a cost of \$66.90.

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The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board letter which Mr. E. Lee Kries, Chief Engineer, had received from Chas. T. King Co., Inc. covering their bid for making certain changes in the State Power House to take care of the criticisms made by the Underwriters' Association. The prices quoted were \$1,518.00 in connection with the Boilers and \$85.00 for alterations to present piping.

Mr. Kries felt that the prices bid were reasonable and the Board approved the doing of the work by the Chas. T. King Co., Inc. at a cost not to exceed the quoted figures.

DEPARTMENT OF STATE FORESTS AND PARKS:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication dated June 1, 1945, from the Department of State Forests and Parks requesting authority to purchase 6½ acres of land adjoining the Washington Monument Parking area at \$100 per acre.

The Board approved the purchase of small tract of land at \$100 per acre.

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The Secretary brought before the Board of Public Works request of the Department of State Forests and Parks for permission to acquire 1½ acres of land in the heart of the New Germany cabin, bathing, and recreational area at a cost of approximately \$2,000. Mr. Kaylor, the State Forester, advised that the property contains a six-room dwelling with good, warm air furnace, is equipped with running water and has adequate bath-room and other facilities.

The Board approved the purchase of this property, known as the Joseph Gray property, at a cost not to exceed \$2,000 and approved an allotment of \$2,000 from the General Emergency Fund to the Department of State Forests and Parks for this purchase, there being no funds available to the Department.

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The Board approved request of the Department of State Forests and Parks, dated June 25, 1945, for permission to purchase 25 acres, known as the Keller tract, and approximately 20 acres, known as the Huffer tract, in connection with closing the boundaries on the Washington Monument State Park, at a cost not exceeding \$15.00 per acre. It is understood that the Department has funds from which to make this purchase.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication received from the Department of State Forests and Parks, dated July 10, 1945, requesting approval to the execution of a lease with the Western Union Telegraph Company for the erection of three combination radio beam and fire ranger towers located at Cub Hill (5 miles east of Towson), at Black Hill (on Elk Neck) and on Gambrill State Park (near the Frederick City watershed), the company agreeing to construct and maintain these towers at its own expense, with the tower equipment to revert to the State if and when abandoned by the company.

After due consideration, the Board approved the leasing of these lands to the Western Union Telegraph Company.

#### EMPLOYEES' RETIREMENT SYSTEM OF THE STATE OF MARYLAND:

After due consideration the Board re-appointed Mr. Frank Harper, Secretary of the Public Service Commission of Maryland, as a member of the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland to serve with other members named in the Act creating this System for a term of four years from July 1, 1945.

#### GENERAL EMERGENCY FUND:

See: Board of Natural Resources (\$6,000.00) these Minutes; and  
University of Maryland (\$5,000-Marketing) these Minutes.  
State Department of Forests & Parks (\$2,000.00) these Minutes.

#### HALL OF RECORDS:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board the fact that the State had invested in the construction of the Hall of Records the sum of \$221,206.45 for such use as it might be to the Board in connection with the sale of St. John's College to the Navy Department.

See: St. John's College, these Minutes. (Appropriation)

#### HARFORD MEMORIAL HOSPITAL:

The Board considered letter addressed to Governor O'Connor by Senator J. Wilmer Cronin relative to the appropriation for Harford Memorial Hospital, at Havre de Grace, Maryland. Senator Cronin contends that because of the fact that the State's appropriation was not increased, the Hospital, which has doubled its capacity through the construction of an addition to the hospital, will be unable to be compensated for the free hospital work being done by it.

The Board felt that this matter could be referred to the State Department of Public Welfare so that in the event it is possible to transfer funds appropriated for state-aided institutions from those institutions earning less than their appropriations it might be compensated for the additional work out of funds unearned by the other hospitals.

#### MARYLAND PENITENTIARY:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board the fact that complaints are being received because of the failure of the Maryland Penitentiary to make prompt payment of bills rendered for services or supplies. In some cases the bills are very much overdue and in some instances the vendors are unwilling to furnish supplies or services except upon a cash basis because of the difficulty experienced in the past in obtaining payment of bills rendered.

The Governor agreed to take this matter up with the Department of Correction, with a view to seeing what can be done toward having the accounts of the Maryland Penitentiary handled more promptly.

MARYLAND COMMISSION ON POST WAR RECONSTRUCTION AND DEVELOPMENT:

Dr. Chesney, Dr. Cameron, Dr. Truitt, Father Bunn, of Loyola College, and Judge T. J. S. Waxter appeared before the Board and urged that prompt attention be given to the matter of the construction of a Psycopathic Hospital in Baltimore City, for which provision is made in the Post War Construction Fund. Dr. Truitt, Dr. Chesney, Father Bunn and Judge Waxter spoke in turn, urging favorable consideration for the early construction of a new hospital for psycopathic cases.

Governor O'Connor assured these gentlemen that the Board would give very careful consideration to this matter; that it had already been discussed with the University of Maryland officials and that the Board hoped to take action which would be very satisfactory to everyone interested in the problem.

The Board approved the payment of \$13.50 to Bernard Evander covering expenses incurred in connection with Zoning Permit for the Baltimore Building of the State Department of Health.

The Board approved the payment of bills of Woodcock, Webb, Bounds & Travers in the amounts of \$350.50 and \$50.00 covering services rendered in connection with the State's purchase of the Deer's Head Park property, Salisbury, for the Eastern Shore Chronic Disease Hospital. These bills were approved by Mr. J. Edgar Harvey, Asst. Attorney General.

The Secretary reported to the Board that Mr. Clarke Gardner, City Engineer, of Salisbury, Maryland, had advised him that the Mayor and Council of Salisbury had authorized him to advise the State "that the City would accept the street (60-foot right-of-way entrance to Deer's Head Park) and would agree to pave it and maintain it, if and when funds became available".

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication received from Mr. T. Worth Jamison, Jr., architect, in which Mr. Jamison stated that he would relinquish the assignment given him for work in connection with the proposed building at Solomons for the Department of Research and Education.

The Board appreciated Mr. Jamison's attitude in this matter and stated it would be glad to bear him in mind in connection with further work which the State will be doing in its post war program.

The Board authorized the Department of Research and Education to retain the services of Cutler and Cutler, architects, for the preparation of plans and specifications for the proposed building, as covered in the Minutes of a previous meeting.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter received from Mr. Albert L. Sklar, member of the House of Delegates from Baltimore City, written in the interest of F. L. W. Moehle & Associates, architects, in connection with the State's postwar construction program.

The Board ordered this endorsement filed.

Dr. H. C. Byrd, President, University of Maryland; Judge Wm. P. Cole, Chairman of the Board of Regents, and Mr. John E. Semmes, member of the Board of Regents, appeared before the Board in connection with the postwar construction program of the University of Maryland as outlined in two letters to the Board of Public Works dated June 11, 1945;

- 1- Showing proposed construction totaling \$1,616,350.00; and
- 2- Showing proposed construction totaling \$2,705,650.00.



In both letters the several construction projects were listed with the amounts indicated as the estimated cost of them and with the names of architects recommended for each project to be employed for the work of the preparation of plans and specifications, and the supervision of the construction, as follows.

1- Construction totaling \$1,616,350.00

<u>Buildings at College Park</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Architects</u>
Engineering, Chemistry, & Physics. The Cost of this project will be approximately \$2,250,000 with \$1,500,000 provided by Glenn L. Martin Company.	\$750,000	National competition between the following three firms: Delano & Aldrich, N.Y. Voorhees, Walker, Foley & Smith, N.Y. Skidmore, Owings & Merrill, Chicago.
Agriculture Building	360,000	Lucius R. White
Brick Walls & Remodeling N.Y.A. Bldg. for Agricultural Engineering	40,000	Henry Hopkins
Girl Day Students and Girls' Activities Bldg. The balance of \$32,650 to be made available when Board of Public Works approves remainder of program.	147,350	Lucien Gaudreau
Stadium To cost approximately \$400,000. Construction funds for this will be raised entirely through athletic and alumni organizations, and the State is asked to pay only the engineering costs at 4%	- -	Faisant and Kooken

<u>Buildings at Princess Anne</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Architects</u>
Dormitory for Men	\$140,000	Wilson Booth
Dining Hall and Kitchen	100,000	Bernard Evander
Barns and Equipment	20,000	No architect
Laundry and Equipment	35,000	Bernard Evander
Athletic Field and Stands	15,000	No architect
Two or Three Cottages for Faculty	9,000	Bernard Evander.

2- Construction totaling \$2,705,650.00

<u>Buildings at College Park</u>	<u>Cost</u>	<u>Architects</u>
Completion of Girl Day Students' and Girls' Activities Building	\$ 32,650	Lucien Gaudreau
General Class Rooms	160,000	Lucien Gaudreau
Girls' Dormitories		
1 at \$200,000		
2 at 100,000	400,000	Taylor & Fisher
Men's Dormitories		
1 at	110,000	Wilson Booth
1 at	60,000	Wilson Booth
1 at	50,000	No architect
Addition to Heating Plant	150,000*	Egli & Gompf
Addition to Dining Hall	80,000	Katherine Cutler
Auditorium	260,000	Kooken & Faisant, Engineers
This building will cost approximately twice the amount here shown, the difference to be raised through the athletic and alumni organization effort.		Ross & Walton, Architects.
Fire College & Fire Service		
Extension	108,000*	Ross & Walton
Live Stock Barns & Meat Laboratory	40,000	Ross & Walton
3 Greenhouses	30,000	Katherine Cutler
Infirmery	80,000	Benjamin Frank
Swimming Pool	125,000	Bradley, Ackley & Day Pittsburgh
Finishing Top Floor of Home Economics Bldg.	21,000	Henry Hopkins
Addition to Service Building & Laundry	75,000	Paul Kea
Addition to Girls' Gymnasium	80,000	Taylor & Fisher
	<u>\$1,861,650</u>	

Buildings at Baltimore	Cost	Architects
Psychopathic Hospital	\$400,000*	James R. Edmunds
Addition to Nurses' Home	75,000	James R. Edmunds
Finishing 12th Floor of University Hospital	100,000*	James R. Edmunds
Plans for this item are already available and are being paid for from Federal government funds.		
Recreation Hall		
This building will cost about double this amount, the balance to be raised from students and alumni.		
	50,000	Edward Glidden
Addition to Dental Building	70,000	Edward Glidden
	\$695,000	

Buildings at Princess Anne	Cost	Architects
Reconditioning Agricultural Bldg.	\$ 15,000	Wilson Booth
Library	50,000	Wilson Booth
Finishing Third Floor Administration Building	8,000	Wilson Booth
Finishing Third Floor Girls' Dormitory	8,000	Wilson Booth
Apartment for Faculty	30,000	Bernard Evander
Greenhouse and Head House	15,000	Bernard Evander
5 or 6 Cottages for Faculty	23,000	Bernard Evander
	\$149,000	

Total Construction \$2,705,650.00.

As to the letter of June 11, 1945, covering projects totaling \$1,616,350, the Board approved these projects and the architects recommended for them with the understanding that the money covering the cost of the projects would be ear-marked in the Post War Construction Fund so that these projects could be proceeded with at as early a date as practicable.

The Board also approved the projects for the building to be constructed for the Fire Extension Service at an estimated cost of \$108,000, to be proceeded with as early as practicable. This building is to be constructed on the basis of the University of Maryland letting contracts for the various types of work to be done in the construction, along the same lines as was followed in the construction of the Armory at College Park.

The Board also approved an allocation of \$400,000 for the construction of a new Psychopathic Hospital on land to be acquired by the University in Baltimore, as already mentioned (these Minutes "University of Maryland");

\$100,000 for the completion of the 12th Floor of the University Hospital; and \$150,000 to be used in connection with the construction of a new Power Plant at College Park, with the understanding that the University would obtain from Federal sources the sum of \$500,000 to supplement the \$150,000 to provide the total amount of \$650,000, the estimated cost of constructing the new Power Plant. The \$150,000 being made available by the State as a part of the cost of the new Power Plant is the \$150,000 originally intended for the purpose of enlarging the existing Power Plant.

The total amount approved for which funds are to be ear-marked out of the amount available in the Post War Construction Fund for which priority will be given in proceeding with these projects is \$2,579,350.\* including the purchase of lands as set forth in these Minutes.

The Board also approved the additional recommendations for construction at College Park, Baltimore, and Princess Anne shown in the total of \$2,705,650.00 not hereinbefore approved and the employment of the architects indicated, with the understanding that while plans and specifications can be prepared for this work at this time looking forward to construction later, approval for any construction would first have to be obtained from the Board of Public Works before being proceeded with, as no funds in the Post War Construction Fund are being ear-marked for the cost of this work at the present time.

\*1,616,350.  
400,000 Hosp.  
100,000 12 floor  
108,000 Fire Bldg.  
150,000 Power Plant  
205,000 Land  
2,579,350

Dr. Byrd discussed his letter of May 12, 1945 relative to the construction of a wind tunnel. Dr. Byrd stated that he had obtained a good deal of information on the subject from construction concerns and from personal investigation, and recommended that great care be exercised in proceeding with this work.

Dr. Byrd was authorized to negotiate with several concerns regarding the planning and construction of this wind tunnel, with the understanding that he would submit to the Board of Public Works for approval any data and recommendations before making any commitments on the construction.

#### MISCELLANEOUS:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board the fact that provision has been made for the funds necessary to take care of the cost of soil erosion at the Peace Monument on Blakiston Island, Maryland.

The Board was of the opinion that this work should be proceeded with as early as practicable and requested Mr. Kirkman and Mr. McCusker to look into the matter with a view to having the work done.

#### MORGAN STATE COLLEGE:

Upon the recommendation of the Department of Budget and Procurement and the State Comptroller, the Board authorized the payment of \$7,170.00 from the Scholarship Fund of Morgan State College, for the summer session of 1945-46 academic year.

#### ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE:

The Comptroller advised the Board that because of the rumors regarding the sale of the St. John's College property to the United States Naval Academy payment had been withheld of the first quarterly installment of the appropriation for the fiscal year beginning July 1, 1945, to St. John's College.

After discussion, it was decided that this payment be made because it was felt that in the case of sale of the College to the United States Naval Academy this would not interfere with the coming scholastic year of the school.

#### STATE DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter received from Dr. T. G. Pullen, Jr., State Superintendent of Schools, requesting authority for the part-time employment of Dr. Dean Roberts, Chief of the Bureau of Child Hygiene of the State Department of Health, at \$1,000 for a period of 12 months in connection with Maryland's Plan for Vocational Rehabilitation as Medical Consultant. A letter from Dr. R. H. Riley, Director, Department of Health, advised the Board that this part-time employment by Dr. Roberts has the approval of the State Board of Health.

After due consideration Dr. Pullen's request was approved.

#### STATE EMPLOYEES:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a letter received from Mr. W. D. Owens, State Employment Commissioner, dated June 19, 1945, on the subject of "Waivers" required from employees. As Mr. Owens was to present this matter to the Employees' Retirement Board at its next meeting and there was nothing from the Employees' Retirement Board on the subject at today's meeting, the matter was held for consideration at a later meeting.

#### Sick Leave

The Board declined to approve application of Mrs. Helen R. Maskell, an employee of the State Accident Fund, for an extension of sick leave because of the fact that at this time she has not been continuously employed for as much as ten years.

The Board approved application of Mr. John J. O'Brien, employee of the Maryland House of Correction, for an extension of sick leave for the period of April 8 to June 3, 1945, inclusive.

The Board declined to approve application of Elmer W. Mercer, employe of the State Roads Commission. Mr. Mercer's sick leave expired June 25, 1945, but the file shows that he is a patient at Perry Point Veterans Hospital and the duration of his illness is indefinite. The Board is of the opinion that Mr. Mercer's condition would justify his applying for retirement because of physical disability with the understanding that if his condition improves at a later date and he would be approved for employment he could resume his regular position at such time.

The Board declined to approve application of LaMar Townshend, employe of the State Roads Commission, whose regular sick leave expired May 16, 1945. Information received from the Maryland Tuberculosis Sanatorium shows that Mr. Townshend's condition does not justify the hope that he will be able to return to duty within a year from the time he became ill. The Board felt that this is a case where the employe should apply for retirement because of physical disability, with the understanding that if his condition improves to the extent that he could be certified for re-employment, he can then resume his regular position; or, in the event Mr. Townshend is willing to return to the hospital, the Board will give consideration to his application for an extension of sick leave.

The Board declined to approve application of Paul E. Mitchell, employe of the State Roads Commission, for an extension of sick leave because of the fact that he has not been continuously employed for the past ten years by the State. The records show that Mr. Mitchell's record for continuous employment, under the law, would be from April 1936.

The Board declined to approve a further extension of sick leave in the case of A. Lee Creighton, employe of the State Roads Commission, because of the fact that he should either be willing to accept employment in the Department in which he is employed, if the Department has work available which it could have him do without jeopardizing his physical condition, or he should apply for retirement under the law, with the understanding that if at a later date his physical condition improves to the extent that he can be certified for re-employment, he can resume his regular position.

The Board approved an extension of sick leave in the case of Mrs. Harriette S. Kearfoot, employee of the State Department of Public Welfare. Mrs. Kearfoot's sick leave expired June 11, 1945. The extended leave was approved for the period June 11 to June 30, 1945. Mrs. Kearfoot died July 1, 1945.

The Board approved application for an extension of sick leave in the case of Miss Virginia Ellinger, employee of the State Treasurer in the Baltimore Office, for a period of three months from July 23, 1945. Miss Ellinger's sick leave and vacation leave expire July 21, 1945.

The Board approved an extension of sick leave in the case of Miss Cecile Spissler, employee of the Department of Health. Miss Spissler's regular sick leave expired January 22, 1945, and the Board had previously granted an extension of three months to April 23, 1945. The further extension is granted to July 31, 1945.

The Board approved an extension of sick leave in the case of Philip F. McGreevy, employe of the State Accident Fund to June 30, 1945, as it was understood that Mr. McGreevy had arranged to retire as of that date.

The Board took no action in the case of Nelson A. Bowers, employe of the Department of Motor Vehicles, who is on sick leave. Mr. Bowers' regular sick leave expired December 26, 1944 and the Board had previously granted extensions to March 26th, 1945 and June 26th, 1945. Mr. Bowers is still on sick leave but since there was no request for a further extension no action was taken in this case.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board application of Mrs. Anita B. King, employee of the State Industrial Accident Commission. Mrs. King's disability consists of a numbness in her right arm, allegedly due to strenuous work done by her as Hearing Reporter for the Commission. The Board felt that perhaps Mrs. King could perform other duties for the Commission and that it ought not to be necessary for her to be away from the office because of her inability to write shorthand or do work which would require any unusual amount of exercise of the right arm and hand. The Board stated in its ruling that she be continued at her regular salary in whatever position she filled where the work would not prejudice her recovery.

### Vacation Leave

On the matter of payment of compensation to employees in lieu of vacations to which they are entitled, the Board felt that there is too much temptation for this matter to be abused and instructed the Secretary to prepare a memorandum on the subject calling attention to the fact that the Board is of the opinion that employees should be required to take vacations and that only in very unusual instances, with the actual certification of the Head of the Department supporting it, should any consideration be given to the payment for services rendered where it is claimed that the employee could not be permitted to take the regular vacation.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board letter received from Dr. R. H. Riley, Director, Department of Health, dated June 28, 1945, requesting authority to compensate Dr. R. H. Johnson, Deputy State Health Officer of Somerset County, Maryland for 30 days accumulated annual leave which it has been impossible for the department to grant him during 1942, 1943, and 1944, in the amount of \$416.66. Dr. Johnson has been taking care of both Somerset and Worcester Counties since the first of the year and it is not likely he will be able to take any vacation leave in 1945.

After due consideration the Board approved this request.

The Board approved request of the Unemployment Compensation Board that authority be granted for the payment of compensation for 15 days annual vacation unused by Miss Marguerite R. Meehan, Chief of the fiscal department of the Unemployment Compensation Board. The reasons for this request were set forth in letter of that Board dated June 29, 1945.

Formal approval was given by the Board to the payment of \$109.10 to Watchmen at the Hall of Records who worked legal holidays, etc. during the period July 1, 1944 to June 30, 1945, the payroll covering this compensation having been approved by the individual members of the Board on June 27, 1945.

### "Overtime"

The Secretary presented to the Board a memorandum on the subject of Overtime, as a result of the passage of Chapter 1015 of the Acts of 1945, the memorandum being the conclusions of a Committee consisting of Mr. Kirkman; Mr. Harris, Counsel, Maryland Classified Employees Association; Mr. Owens, State Employment Commissioner; and Mr. McCusker to study the subject and make recommendations for the procedure to be followed in the administration of the law.

The Board, after due consideration, approved the memorandum submitted and directed the Secretary to furnish the State Employment Commissioner with the conclusions of the Board in the matter so that these views might be passed along to the various State Agencies for their guidance in cases where employees come within the provisions of the Overtime Law.

The Board instructed that in each case of a payroll being submitted covering overtime, the head of the department in which the employee works certify to the necessity for the overtime work done by the employees shown on the payroll.

### STATE PROPERTY:

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a request from Col. Henry S. Barrett, State Commander, U. S. Citizens Defense Corps, that he be permitted to purchase the 1941 Chevrolet Sedan owned by the State Roads Commission which Col. Barrett used in his work. As the Corps was disbanded as of June 30, 1945, it was felt by the Board that consideration might be given to Col. Barrett's request.

The matter was referred to Mr. Kirkman so that he might contact Col. Barrett relative to arriving at some satisfactory arrangement for the sale of the automobile to Col. Barrett.

The Board approved request of the Public Service Commission, dated June 5, 1945, for authority to dispose of certain books as set forth in that letter, which are of no value to the Commission or to the University of Maryland Law Library. These books are to be sold as waste paper.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a request from Judge Eugene O'Dunne that he be permitted to purchase the old typewriter which he used prior to his retirement on June 20, 1945, as a member of the Supreme Bench of Baltimore City.

The Board thought it would be the gracious thing to do to offer to give this typewriter to Judge O'Dunne with its compliments and approved this procedure.

#### STATE ROADS COMMISSION:

The Comptroller advised that the Board that there were still outstanding in the accounts of the State Roads Commission items due by the Maryland Penitentiary in the amount of \$438.66 and the Maryland State Police in the amount of \$3,600.61, as originally shown in the statement of accounts receivable as of February 28, 1944.

The Board ordered that these accounts be paid promptly and requested the Secretary to so advise the Maryland State Police and the Maryland Penitentiary.

The Board approved execution of the following deeds which the State Roads Commission had requested be executed conveying sundry properties which are no longer required for the use of the State roads system. All of the deeds were approved by Special Assistant Attorney General K. Thomas Evernham as to form and legal sufficiency.

To- Albert V. Williams, of Baltimore County, certain land in Dorchester County, Maryland.

Anna R. Helldorfer, widow, of Baltimore County, certain land designated as parcel number two on Plat #5980; and from Anna R. Helldorfer to the State Roads Commission parcel number one on Plat #5980, being situate in Baltimore County, Maryland.

Mayor and Commissioners of Luke, of Allegany County, certain land in the village of West Piedmont (now called Luke) in Allegany County, Maryland.

#### STOCK CERTIFICATES:

Upon recommendation of the State Comptroller the Board authorized the writing-off of the following certificates of the Peoples Liquidating Corporation, of Frederick, Maryland, totaling \$21,149.61.

#27461	Springfield State Hospital-General Funds	\$15,144.90
27540	Sheriff of Frederick County-General Funds	637.09
28215	State Board of Dental Examiners-Special Funds	9.10
29787	Register of Wills for Frederick County-General Funds	5,358.52.

#### TREASURER:

The Secretary reported to the Board of receipt of two letters from Mr. Miles dated June 4, 1945 relative to investments of State funds.

- 1- Subscription for \$5,000,000 U. S. Treasury 7/8% Certificates of Indebtedness, dated June 1, 1945 and due June 1, 1946. This will bring the State additional interest income of \$43,750.00 for the period June 1, 1945 to June 1, 1946, less \$2,040.00 accrued interest paid.
- 2- Subscription for \$100,000 U. S. Treasury 2½% bonds (7th War Loan) dated June 1, 1945 and due June 15, 1967-72 for the State Accident Fund. Sale of \$125,000 U. S. Treasury 2% bonds, due March 15, 1948-50 at 102-6/32 and \$150,000 U. S. Treasury 2½% bonds due June 15, 1952-55 at 104-6/32. The profit on the 2% bonds is \$1,289.07, and the profit on the 2½% bonds is \$5,203.12, or a net profit of \$6,492.19. Subscription for the State Accident Fund \$300,000 U. S. Treasury 2½% bonds, dated June 1, 1945, and due June 15, 1959-62, increasing the annual interest income of the Fund by \$875.00.

The Board approved Mr. Miles action in these transactions.

UNEMPLOYMENT COMPENSATION BOARD:

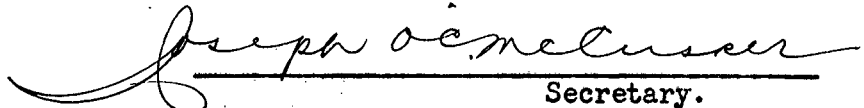
The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a communication and statement received from the Unemployment Compensation Board covering the fiscal activities of that Board for the quarter ended March 31, 1945, showing Interest Waived of \$1,622.08, and Adjustments, Abatements and Uncollectible Accounts of \$20,271.01. A letter from Mr. Albert A. Levin, Special Assistant Attorney General, accompanied the statement and recommended approval by the Board of Public Works of this report.

The Board approved the action of the Unemployment Compensation Board.

The Secretary brought to the attention of the Board a file of correspondence relating to claim filed by the Bethlehem Steel Corporation relative to a refund of unemployment compensation taxes alleged to have been paid in error.

The Board was not willing to approve the recommendation of the Unemployment Compensation Board that this refund be approved without obtaining further information. Mr. Miles stated that he would see Mr. Russell S. Davis, Chairman, Unemployment Compensation Board, and discuss the matter with him. It was felt that the Board should have before it information as to any views the Social Security Board might have with regard to the action of the State in making the refund.

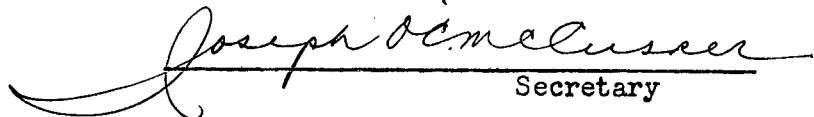
There being no further business, the meeting of the Board was adjourned.

  
Secretary.

LEASES:

Upon recommendation of Mr. Kirkman, the Board approved execution of a renewal lease by the Unemployment Compensation Board for space occupied in the O'Sullivan Building, Baltimore, for a term of one year from September 1, 1945, at \$38,612.00 per annum.

The Board approved execution of a lease by the University of Maryland for the Extension Service, covering a three acre tract of land at Preston, Maryland, for a Farm Labor Supply Center, for the period May 23, 1945 to December 31, 1945, at a rental of \$1.00 per year, said lease to be renewable from year to year.

  
Secretary